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10th DECEMBER, 1804.

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Read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, on Thursday next.

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*TO PROVIDE for completing the valuation of lands, and dwelling houses, and the enumeration of slaves in South Carolina; and for other purposes.*

1     **Be it enacted**, by the Senate and House of Representatives  
2 of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That  
3 the secretary of the treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and  
4 directed to employ clerks, for such compensation as he shall judge  
5 reasonable, to complete, register, and record, under the direction  
6 of the supervisor of the district of South Carolina, the lists and  
7 abstracts of the valuation of lands and dwelling houses, and of  
8 the enumeration of slaves within the state of South Carolina; and  
9 under the direction of the supervisor aforesaid, to add to or de-  
10 duct from the valuations aforesaid, of each individual, such a  
11 rate per centum as has been determined by the commissioners ap-  
12 pointed for the said state, under the act intituled " An act to pro-

vide for the valuation of lands and dwelling houses, and the enumeration of slaves, within the United States," agreeably to the provisions of the said act, of the act intituled " An act supplementary to the act intituled " An act to provide for the valuation of lands and dwelling houses, and the enumeration of slaves, within the United States," and of the act intituled, " An act to provide for equalising the valuation of unfeated lands." Which lists and abstracts, thus completed in conformity with the revisions and equalisations made by the commissioners aforesaid, shall have the same force and effect as if they had been completed, registered, and recorded, under the direction of the commissioners aforesaid, agreeably to the provisions of the abovementioned acts. The supervisor aforesaid, shall be allowed in addition to his annual compensation, at the rate of three dollars per diem, for each and every day employed by him, in completing or superintending the completion of the lists and abstracts aforesaid, *Provided*, that the whole amount of the said additional allowance, shall not exceed five hundred dollars, and the said allowance, as well as the compensation of the clerks employed by virtue of this section, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated, or which may hereafter be appropriated for defraying the expenses, incident to the valuation of houses and lands, and the enumeration of slaves, within the United States.

1     *SEC. 2. And be it further enacted*, That the supervisor of the  
2     district of South Carolina be, and he is hereby authorised and

3 directed, as soon as the assessment of the direct tax to be levied,  
 4 and collected in the state of South Carolina, by virtue of the act  
 5 intituled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax, within the  
 6 United States," shall have been completed, to appoint for the  
 7 whole of the said state, one or more surveyors of the revenue;  
 8 who shall be authorized to make out the lists containing the sums  
 9 payable, according to such assessment, for every dwelling house,  
 10 tract, or lot of land and slave, within the said state. Which lists  
 11 shall have the same force and effect, as if they had been made for  
 12 each assessment district, by a distinct surveyor of the revenue:  
 13 the surveyor or surveyors of the revenue, thus appointed for the  
 14 whole state of South Carolina, shall likewise perform all the other  
 15 duties, exercise all the powers, and receive the same compensa-  
 16 tion, which by virtue of the provisions still in force of any former  
 17 act, or acts, were directed to be performed, exercised, and re-  
 18 ceived by the surveyors of the revenue for the several assessment  
 19 districts; and so much of any act or acts, as directed the appoint-  
 20 ment of one surveyor of the revenue for each assessment district,  
 21 is so far as relates to the state of South Carolina, hereby repeal-  
 22 ed.

1 SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the several supervisors,  
 2 or officers acting as supervisors, may with the approbation of the  
 3 secretary of the treasury, unite, whenever such measure shall be  
 4 thought expedient for the better collection of the direct tax, one  
 5 or more assessment districts into one district, and appoint only one

6 collector of the said tax, for the assessment districts thus united,  
 7 any thing in any former act or acts, to the contrary notwithstanding.  
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1 SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the accounting officers  
 2 of the treasury be, and they are hereby authorized to settle the  
 3 accounts of any of the commissioners, or assessors employed in  
 4 making the valuations, and enumerations abovementioned, in the  
 5 state of South Carolina, although the same may not have been  
 6 presented to, and certified by the commissioners aforesaid, in con-  
 7 formity with the provisions of the act intituled "An act to pro-  
 8 vide for the valuation of lands, and dwelling houses, and the enu-  
 9 meration of slaves, within the United States."

1 SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That any of the commissi-  
 2 oners aforesaid, who shall on the request of the secretary of the  
 3 treasury, attend for the purpose of assisting the supervisor of the  
 4 district of South Carolina, in completing the lists and abstracts of  
 5 valuations, and enumerations in the manner provided by the  
 6 first section of this act, shall be allowed the same rate of compen-  
 7 sation, as is provided by law, for attending a meeting of the board  
 8 of commissioners.

1 SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That a sum not exceeding  
 2 dollars, to be paid out of any  
 3 monies in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, be and the  
 4 same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the further expenses,  
 5 incident to the valuation of houses and lands, and the enumera-  
 6 tion of slaves, within the United States.